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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHAIRMAN, NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL  
INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: Evaluation of Intelligence Support in the October 1973  
Arab-Israeli Conflict

On 23 October 1973 both the Director of Central Intelligence and I originated memoranda to you concerning evaluation of the adequacy of intelligence support during the October Arab-Israeli conflict.

We have subsequently discussed the situation with Mr. Colby and we are following the study which he is conducting. I have decided that it will be useful to conduct within the Department of Defense an assessment of certain aspects of this question in addition to the evaluation which Mr. Colby has underway. The assessment which we are carrying out is to provide me with a view of the situation for use in judging the need for improvements in the response of Department of Defense elements to a developing crisis. In order to avoid duplication of effort in this case, the staff of the Director of Central Intelligence is providing us information on material which they collect for their evaluation. However, the analysis that I have asked for will be developed by the OSD staff separate from those responsible for substantive intelligence product.

We believe that the course on which we are proceeding will provide a useful examination of key points which we have identified pertaining to intelligence support in the current conflict.

Bill

OSD Review Completed

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November 13, 1973

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MEMORANDUM FOR BRENT SCOWCROFT

FROM: A. W. Marshall *AWM*  
SUBJECT: Post Mortem of Arab-Israeli Conflict

On October 23 Clements requested the NSCIC conduct a review of intelligence support to the policy level during the current crisis. I coordinated with the DCI's staff and had you sign a memorandum to Clements stating that the DCI's review would be submitted to the NSCIC to fulfill Clements' request.

Subsequently, Clements has decided to conduct a DOD review independently. His reasons for doing so are unclear. I have talked to him, Al Hall (ASD/I) and John Clarke (DCI's staff). Clements appears to have acted not out of discontent with the DCI's review, but with a proprietary interest in having Defense look at itself. Coordination will take place between the DOD and DCI working levels to exchange information. Colby's review continues to be the NSCIC post mortem.

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